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May 3, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Torrington – Toro Field Siphon Abandonment and Sewer Replacement in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Torrington Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) located at 140 Main Street, Torrington, CT 06790. The funding would be used to replace the Toro Field Siphon with a new interceptor pipe (or force main) along the eastern bank of the Naugatuck River which would tie into existing infrastructure at each end. This project also includes demolition of the existing siphons within the Naugatuck River to eliminate the potential for fish passage impediment. The proposed project includes design, permitting, and construction of the new interceptor and pipe, including connection at the inlet and the Water Resource Recovery Facility (WRRF). The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because replacement of the Toro Field Siphon will ensure continued, uninterrupted access to the WPCA's sanitary sewer service and will benefit the sewered population of approximately 35,500 in Torrington, Harwinton, and Litchfield.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jahana Hayes".

Jahana Hayes
Member of Congress